

April 25, 1986

*Subject: Seminar*

Dear Bob,

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This letter follows up my request to you at [ ] retirement party the other night that you speak to a reunion of the 80th Harvard Business School Advanced Management Program, on the morning of Thursday, May 8, 1986. This was my class at Harvard and I am in charge of the speakers' program. We'd love to have you from 9:45 to 10:30 a.m. and your secretary, Diane, tells me that, as of now, you are free at that time. The location is the J.W. Marriott Hotel at 14th and E streets, N.W.

You will be in good company. The program looks as follows, with everyone except yourself and Secretary of Agriculture Dick Lyng confirmed.

Thursday, May 8:

0900 - 0945	--	William E. Brock, Secretary of Labor: "Problems in International Trade"
0945 - 1030	--	Robert M. Gates, Deputy Director of CIA:
1100 - 1145	--	Richard E. Lyng, Secretary of Agriculture: "International Agricultural Trade Problems and Prospects"
3:30 p.m.	--	Mark Palmer, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs: "US-USSR Relations"
4:10 p.m.	--	Arnold L. Raphel, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near East and South Asian Affairs: "The Situation in the Middle East"
Dinner	--	George A. Keyworth, former Science Adviser to the President: "Likely Technological Developments in the Next 15 Years that will Change the World"

Friday, May 9:

0900 - 0945	--	Malcolm Baldrige, Secretary of Commerce: "U.S. International Trade Prospects"
0945 - 1030	--	Edwin Meese III, Attorney General: "International Narcotics"
1100 - 1145	--	Beryl Sprinkel, Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers: "Prospects for the U.S. Economy"

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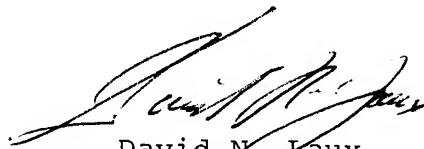
And Vice President Bush may drop by to make a few remarks, depending on his schedule.

We hope you would talk about 20-30 minutes and then take some questions. The program has a heavy economic orientation as you can see, but not totally by a long shot. You are free to pick any subject you think would fit appropriately. I might suggest several topics: "International Terrorism:", "The Intelligence Challenge", "The Intelligence System: How it Works", "Prospects for International Stability", "The World Situation: Potential Trouble Spots", or something along those lines.

The group will be about 100-125 people, about half of them from overseas (primarily U.K., France, Japan, Canada, Germany, Australia, Holland) but a number of other countries too. Most of the class are Presidents, Vice Presidents or General Managers of their corporations, including such organizations as: Travelers Insurance, Allied Chemical, Marriott Corp., Westinghouse, General Motors, Goodyear, Sony Corporation of America, CONOCO, Phillips International, Price Waterhouse, Norfolk Southern RR, Mitsubishi International, Broken Hill Proprietary and Blue Circle Cement of Australia and Big Chief Drilling Company of Oklahoma.

I very much hope you can do this. I know you will make a stimulating impact on this group. The audience is a significant gathering of senior business executives, the location is convenient and the subject shouldn't take much preparation. You'll be doing the United States, the business community and Harvard a favor and advancing the cause of better international relations. If you agree, I'll work out the details with Diane.

Sincerely,



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Peggy,

Per your request, attached is bio on Mr. Gates.

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